

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: L. Saint Cyr
YUSUKE MITARI, et al.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2626
Application No.: 10/530,275)	
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Filed: April 5, 2005)	
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For: PATTERN)	
IDENTIFICATION	:	
METHOD, APPARATUS,)	
AND PROGRAM	:	December 16, 2008

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) having been filed concurrently herewith, and in response to the Office Action dated September 5, 2008, the period for response to which having been extended to January 5, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: